

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-implemented method for executing an
2 untrusted program, comprising:
3 establishing a limited environment within a general environment, wherein said
4 limited environment comprises ~~at least one~~ or more mock resources ~~resource~~, wherein said
5 general environment comprises ~~at least one~~ or more real resources ~~resource~~, and wherein
6 said limited environment and said general environment are both ~~implemented using~~
7 provided by the same type of operating system, and wherein programs executing within said
8 limited environment cannot access the one or more real resources in said general
9 environment;
10 executing at least a portion of an untrusted program within said limited environment;
11 and
12 examining said limited environment after execution of at least said portion of said
13 untrusted program to check for undesirable behavior exhibited by said untrusted program.

1 2. (CANCELLED).

1 3. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, wherein said limited environment comprises a
2 shell in a UNIX operating system environment.

1 4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein examining said
2 limited ~~mock~~ environment comprises:
3 determining whether ~~said~~ a particular mock resource of said one or more mock
4 resources has been deleted.

1 5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein examining said
2 limited mock environment comprises:
3 determining whether ~~said~~ a particular mock resource of said one or more mock
4 resources has been renamed.

1 6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein examining said
2 limited mock environment comprises:
3 determining whether ~~said~~ a particular mock resource of said one or more mock
4 resources has been moved.

1 7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein examining said
2 limited mock environment comprises:
3 determining whether ~~said~~ a particular mock resource of said one or more mock
4 resources has been altered.

1 8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 7, wherein said particular mock
2 resource has a parameter associated therewith which changes when said particular mock
3 resource is altered, and wherein determining whether said particular mock resource has been
4 altered, comprises:
5 determining whether said parameter has changed.

1 9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 8, wherein said parameter is a
2 time value indicating when said particular mock resource was last updated.

1 10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein examining said
2 limited ~~mock~~ environment comprises:

3 determining whether said particular mock resource has been accessed.

1 11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method of claim 10, wherein said particular mock
2 resource contains one or more sets of content, wherein said untrusted program executes in a
3 particular portion of memory, and wherein determining whether said particular mock
4 resource has been accessed comprises:

5 searching said particular portion of said memory for at least one of said one or more
6 sets of content.

1 12. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

2 providing information indicating behavior exhibited by said untrusted program.

1 13. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 12, wherein said information comprises
2 indications of undesirable behavior exhibited by said untrusted program.

1 14. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

2 determining whether said untrusted program has exhibited undesirable behavior; and
3 in response to a determination that said untrusted program has exhibited undesirable
4 behavior, taking corrective action.

1 15. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 14, wherein taking corrective action comprises:

2 deleting said untrusted program.

1 16. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 14, wherein taking corrective action comprises:
2 providing a warning to a user.

1 17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer readable medium comprising instructions
2 which, when executed by one or more processors, cause the one or more processors to
3 execute an untrusted program, said computer readable medium comprising:
4 establishing a limited environment within a general environment, wherein said
5 limited environment comprises ~~at least one~~ or more mock resources resource, wherein said
6 general environment comprises ~~at least one~~ or more real resources resource, and wherein
7 said limited environment and said general environment are both ~~implemented using~~
8 provided by the same type of operating system, and wherein programs executing within said
9 limited environment cannot access the one or more real resources in said general
10 environment;
11 executing at least a portion of an untrusted program within said limited environment;
12 and
13 examining said limited environment after execution of at least said portion of said
14 untrusted program to check for undesirable behavior exhibited by said untrusted program.

1 18. (CANCELLED).

1 19. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein said limited
2 environment comprises a shell in a UNIX operating system environment.

1 20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein
2 said instructions for causing one or more processors to examine said limited mock
3 environment comprises:

4 instructions for causing one or more processors to determine whether said a
5 particular mock resource of said one or more mock resources has been deleted.

1 21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein
2 said instructions for causing one or more processors to examine said limited mock
3 environment comprises:

4 instructions for causing one or more processors to determine whether said a
5 particular mock resource of said one or more mock resources has been renamed.

1 22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein
2 said instructions for causing one or more processors to examine said limited mock
3 environment comprises:

4 instructions for causing one or more processors to determine whether said a
5 particular mock resource of said one or more mock resources has been moved.

1 23. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein
2 said instructions for causing one or more processors to examine said limited mock
3 environment comprises:

4 instructions for causing one or more processors to determine whether said a
5 particular mock resource of said one or more mock resources has been altered.

1 24. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 23, wherein
2 said particular mock resource has a parameter associated therewith which changes when
3 said particular mock resource is altered, and wherein said instructions for causing one or
4 more processors to determine whether said particular mock resource has been altered,
5 comprises:

6 instructions for causing one or more processors to determine whether said parameter
7 has changed.

1 25. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 24, wherein
2 said parameter is a time value indicating when said particular mock resource was last
3 updated.

1 26. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 17, wherein
2 said instructions for causing one or more processors to examine said limited mock
3 environment comprises:

4 instructions for causing one or more processors to determine whether said particular
5 mock resource has been accessed.

1 27. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The computer readable medium of claim 26, wherein
2 said particular mock resource contains one or more sets of content, wherein said untrusted
3 program executes in a particular portion of memory, and wherein said instructions for
4 causing one or more processors to determine whether said particular mock resource has been
5 accessed comprises:

6 instructions for causing one or more processors to search said particular portion of
7 said memory for at least one of said one or more sets of content.

1 28. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium of claim 17, further comprising:
2 instructions for causing one or more processors to provide information indicating
3 behavior exhibited by said untrusted program.

1 29. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium of claim 28, wherein said information
2 comprises indications of undesirable behavior exhibited by said untrusted program.

1 30. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium of claim 17, further comprising:
2 instructions for causing one or more processors to determine whether said untrusted
3 program has exhibited undesirable behavior; and
4 instructions for causing one or more processors to, in response to a determination
5 that said untrusted program has exhibited undesirable behavior, take corrective action.

1 31. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium of claim 30, wherein said instructions
2 for causing one or more processors to take corrective action comprises:
3 instructions for causing one or more processors to delete said untrusted program.

1 32. (ORIGINAL) The computer readable medium of claim 30, wherein said instructions
2 for causing one or more processors to take corrective action comprises:
3 instructions for causing one or more processors to provide a warning to a user.

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